

NORTH AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR SPORT HISTORY

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

May 23, 1999

The annual business meeting of the North American Society for Sport History was held in Ballroom I of the Nittany Lion Inn, Penn State University, May 23, 1999. The meeting was chaired by President Patricia Vertinsky and opened at 10:40 a.m.

There were about 95 present.

The Minutes of the 1998 annual business meeting were approved as published in the 1998 Proceedings. (Unanimously).

President Vertinsky gave opening remarks that included thanking the international attendees, Marv and Kay Eyer, convention managers, Mark Dyreson and Susan Hamburger, and Jodi Dyreson and others.

Don Morrow, program chair, with a committee of Nancy Bouchier, Kevin Wamsley, and Margaret Costa, gave a brief report of the 85 papers given.

Allen Guttman encouraged suggestions for individual papers and panels for the year 2000 convention in Banff, Alberta.

Scott Martyn, of the Website Maintenance Committee (including Bob Barney and Wayne Wilson), showed how the NASSH Website (nassh.org) has changed in the past year. The Website is no longer affiliated with the University of Western Ontario, as it has been for the past two years. It has two versions, HTML and Flash version at a 56K Baud mode rate. It has a HELP icon for some of us. The WEB master, Scott Martyn, can be contacted directly (webmaster.nassh.org). It has an interactive site index for its 10,000 pages, to prevent people from getting lost. The WEB host is V Servers, a U.S. based company. Examples of services are access to complete past Journals (JSH on-line) including an index, journal editor office, NASSH Proceedings, graduate student essay guidelines, job postings, membership forms, convention programs, and list of officers.

The Secretary-Treasurer's Report was given by Ron Smith. He noted that we are doing well financially, but losing in the number of student members. The Investment Committee of Dick McGeehee, Ron Smith, and John Watterson made two investments from the Money Market at Fidelity by opening two mutual funds, a bond fund and a value fund. There is over \$130,000 in savings.

Mark Dyreson gave a short convention report that all was going well.

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Mark Dyreson, chair, gave a nominations report of elected officials. The Committee was composed of Steve Geitschier and Kevin Wamsley. Those elected were:

President-Elect :	Allen Guttmann
Secretary-Treasurer:	Ronald A. Smith
Members-at-Large:	Mel Adelman Linda Borish Jan Todd
Student Member:	Scott Martyn
Publications Board:	Steve Riess Synthia Sydnor
Distinguished Lectures Committee:	Chuck Korr Don Kyle

Nancy Struna gave the Distinguished Lectures/Awards Committee Report. The Committee was composed of Linda Borish, Steve Hardy, Bruce Kidd, and Paula Welch. The two chosen for Distinguished Lectures for 1999 were Grant Jarvie and Jules Tygiel.

The new Distinguished Lectures/Awards Committee will be chaired by Past-President Patricia Vertinsky and composed of Margaret Costa, Mike Cronin, Chuck Korr, and Don Kyle. Nominations may be submitted by any NASSH member.

Nancy Struna gave the Roberta Park Graduate Student Award Fund Report. This year 15 graduate students were given grants totaling over \$2,000 out of the endowed fund that have accumulated to over \$20,000 in the form of the Fidelity Puritan Fund.

A question was raised whether international students should be considered for payment from the Park Fund. Council was asked to discuss the question in 2000.

Patricia Vertinsky gave the Graduate Student Essay Report. The Committee was composed of Larry Fielding, Colin Howell, and Roberta Park. Nine essays were submitted, and the winner was Brad Austin of Ohio State University.

Nancy Bouchier asked for individuals who were interested in the being on the Computer and Technology Committee to contact her.

John Findling of the Promotions Committee (including Dick Crepeau and Alan Metcalfe) has provided materials for affiliation with the American Historical Association and the Canadian Historical Association, which will be pursued by Council.

Allen Guttmann reported for the Publications Board Committee. It was composed of Allen Guttmann, filling in as chair for Dwight Zakus, Nancy Bouchier, Patrick Miller,

Catriona Parratt, and Steven Pope. The quality and quantity of papers for the JSH are quite satisfactory. Past issues of the Journal and Proceedings are on the NASSH WEB site. The question of copyrights was revisited. Permissions are free for educational purposes. For commercial uses there is a charge. Commercial uses on the NET will be charged for three years. The newly elected members are Steven Riess and Synthia Syndor. The new chair is Steven Pope.

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A question was raised about copyright of photos and whether they should be included on line. No definitive answer was given.

Jody Davenport gave the Time and Site Report. The year 2000 is Banff. If you have suggestions for 2001 and beyond give information to Jody.

The Directory of Scholars will be into its 7th edition in 2000. It will be edited by Maureen Smith.

The Distinguished Lectures (Maxwell Howell and Reet Howell International, John R. Betts, and Seward Staley) will be funded by NASSH in the future.

Gary Koroluk gave the 2000 Banff Report. There will be an extra day planned as we had the last time the conference was in Banff in 1990. It will be held during the U.S. Memorial Day Weekend, the traditional days of NASSH meetings. Rooms and meals will be included at reasonable rates.

Tara Magdalinski announced that the International Society for Comparative Physical Education and Sport Conference will be held on the Sunshine Coast, Australia, 29 August-3 September 2000.

John Nauright announced the 2000 Pre-Olympic Symposium will follow the ISCPES Conference, in Brisbane, Australia, 7-13 September 2000.

John Nauright also noted the Teams and Fans Conference in Queensland, Australia, 15-18 July 1999.

The Australian Society for Sport History is considering the hosting of an International Conference for the first decade of 2000s.

Tina Parratt noted that abstracts are needed shortly for the 1999 Proceedings.

Bob Barney announced the 5th Olympic Symposium in Sydney, Australia during the Pre-Olympic Symposium in 2000.

John Schleppe asked for those interested in abstracting outside journal articles for inclusion in the Journal of Sport History to contact him.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Smith, Secretary-Treasurer